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For your information I enclose a copy of the above announcement.

Yours faithfully,

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## **GKN plc**

## Purchase of own securities held in Treasury

GKN plc announces that on 8 April 2005 it purchased 100,000 of its ordinary shares at a price of 264.1p per share from Credit Suisse First Boston (Europe) Limited. It is intended that these shares are held in Treasury.

Following the purchase, GKN plc holds 16,025,000 of its ordinary shares in Treasury and has a total of 722,722,002 ordinary shares (excluding Treasury shares) in issue.

Grey Denham Company Secretary 8 April 2005